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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Kouji HIRAYAMA and Michio NAKA
TEST APPARATUS FOR ASSAYING A COMPONENT IN A LIQUID SAMPLE
Assignee: KYOTO DAIICHI KAGAKU CO., LTD.
Our Ref: Q65805

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 08/726,170 (confirmation no.: not yet assigned) filed October 4, 1996 of Kouji HIRAYAMA and Michio NAKA entitled TEST APPARATUS FOR ASSAYING A COMPONENT IN A LIQUID SAMPLE.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 2 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is a copy of the Assignment, an Information Disclosure Statement, and a PTO Form 1449 listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1743.

A Preliminary Amendment is being submitted herewith.

Priority is claimed from October 6, 1995 based on JP Application No. 7-296312. The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 08/726,170.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

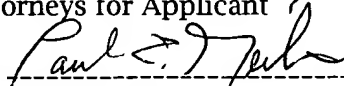
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\$710.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$710.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,
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